

**LUMPKIN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Special Called Meeting
AGENDA**

Lumpkin County Courthouse
Conference Room
Dahlonega, Georgia
August 31, 2006
4:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gooch

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

III. OLD BUSINESS

- Lumpkin County/Dawson County Water Interconnect Project ARC Grant
- SPLOST City of Dahlonega Proposed Intergovernmental Agreement

IV. RESOLUTIONS

- 2006-51 SPLOST Intergovernmental Agreement
- 2006-52 Call for an Election to Impose SPLOST

V. CONTRACTS

- Propane Agreement

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Future Meetings:

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| *Public Hearing
"Notice of Property Tax Increase" - Courthouse | Sept. 05, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. |
| *Public Hearing
"Notice of Proposed Amendments to Subdivision
Regulations" - Courthouse | Sept. 05, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. |
| *Public Hearing
"Notice of Property Tax Increase" - Courthouse | Sept. 05, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. |
| *Public Hearing
"Notice of Road Abandonment" - Courthouse | Sept. 07, 2006 at 8:45 a.m. |
| Board Work Session – City Hall | Sept. 07, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. |
| Board Meeting – City Hall | Sept. 21, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. |

* Public Hearings will be held if needed.

VII. ADJOURN

Chairman Gooch

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE
LUMPKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

August 31, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gooch called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. Commissioners present were Stephen Gooch, John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson, Clarence Stowers and Marvin Martin.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner Stowers made a motion approve an amended agenda, which included discussion of Lumpkin County-Wimpy Airport. This motion was seconded by Marvin Martin and approved by all district commissioners. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Lumpkin County/Dawson County Water Interconnect Project ARC Grant

Dudley Moore spoke about the need for more water source flexibility for the future. He stated that the only commitment that he needs "on paper" is a commitment to keep the Interconnect Project alive. Mr. Moore said that the water lines being installed by the Wallace Brothers meet the specifics of the ARC Grant in every way. He also reminded that this grant is viewed as a regional tool. To a question about where we are going to get the funds for this project Dudley said we will be expended anywhere from \$125,000 to \$200,000, most or all of which should come back to us in reimbursements via the Grant or the Water & Sewerage Authority. Commissioner Raber reminded the other commissioners of the agreement made that the board would decide specifics of where/how the SPLOST money allocated for water and sewer would be spent.

Motion: Commissioner Stowers made a motion to approve the Interconnect Letter, which was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson. All district commissioners approved and the motion carried.

SPLOST City of Dahlonega Proposed Intergovernmental Agreement

Motion: Commissioner Raber moved to accept this agreement. The motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers and approved by commissioners Raber, Hutcheson, Stowers and Martin. Motion carried.

Wimpy Airport

Commissioner Stowers said that Jon Whidby who wants to build one more hanger at the airport had approached him.

Motion: Commissioner Raber made a motion to reject this request. This motion failed for lack of a second.

Mr. Whidby will need to place his request in the normal manner, which will then come before the board.

RESOLUTIONS

2006-51 SPLOST Intergovernmental Agreement

Chairman Gooch read a resolution approving a SPLOST Intergovernmental Agreement and Authorizing the Chairman to execute the agreement on behalf of the County.

Motion: Commissioner Hutcheson made a motion to approve the resolution and John Raber seconded the motion. District commissioners Raber, Hutcheson, Stowers and Martin all approved. Motion carried.

2006-52 Call for an Election to Impose SPLOST

Chairman Gooch read a resolution calling for an election to impose a County Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax with the concurrence of the City of Dahlonega.

Motion: Commissioner Hutcheson moved to approve the resolution, which was seconded by Marvin Martin. All district commissioners approved and the motion carried.

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CONTRACTS

Propane Agreement

This contract locks in the propane price for one year. It is a good price but the County will not be able to buy from another vendor during the term of the contract.

Motion: Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the contract. Clarence Stowers seconded the motion and all district commissioners concurred. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

United Way has asked for a joint proclamation from the City and the County to recognize them in September.

Chairman Gooch met with Gary McCullough and John Woodward, a SPLOST consultant who talked about how he could promote the SPLOST. Mr. Woodward's interest was to promote the SPLOST before the election. In return he wants the bond business. Chairman Gooch stated that he doesn't think this level of marketing will work well in Lumpkin County.

The Regular Meeting of the Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners is changed to 9:00 a.m. September 21st.

The County Manager said that we don't yet have letter of credit from D. L. Clark on concrete at the Fire Station. They have not been able to start because of this letter of credit. Mr. Kelley also drew the board's attention to the Grand Jury Report, which recommended that the board give the requested employee to the Clerk of Court. Commissioner Hutcheson said that the Clerk of Court should consider releasing into the General Fund some of the \$41,000.000 that in his Internet fund. In other matters, a court ruling came down holding that counties can no longer use a former defense when a faulty building inspection is done. ACCG recommends carefully documenting all inspections. The County Attorney pointed out there is not a law that we must do building inspections but if we chose to do the inspections we assume liability.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

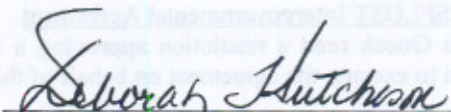
Citizen Brian Burns spoke on behalf of Laurel Forest Homeowners Association. A home there burned 10 months ago and is still standing in ruins next to a playground. Mr. Burns wants to know if there is an ordinance to get this cleaned up. Covenants do not deal with fire or other major catastrophes. The County Attorney said that there is nothing to keep the Homeowners Association from going to court on this matter.

ADJOURN

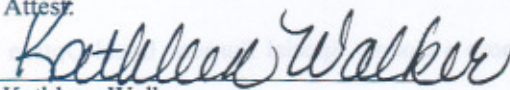
Chairman Gooch called for a motion of adjournment at 5:09 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Raber made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Clarence Stowers. All district commissioners approved the motion. Motion carried.

9-21-06
Date


Stephen W. Gooch, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:


Kathleen Walker
Deputy Clerk, Lumpkin County